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MINUTES

September 7, 2010
500 West Temple Street
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Hearing Room 374-A
Los Angeles, California 90012

Vice-Chairperson Waite called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m. as a Committee of the Whole; a quorum was identified and the meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR AUGUST 3, 2010

On motion of 2nd Vice-Chairperson Gray, seconded by Commissioner Gray and unanimously carried, the August 3, 2010 minutes were approved with the following correction: Page 1, second and third paragraph, delete "...green waste stream(s)..."

SOLID WASTE CONVERSION – STEPHEN M. ZURN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, CITY OF GLENDALE

Stephen M. Zurn, Director of Public Works, City of Glendale, distributed a power point presentation on the city's Solid Waste Conversion Development Project. The City of Glendale is a full service city with a comprehensive waste management service, fire and police departments, municipal utility and owner of Scholl Canyon Landfill. The landfill is midsize and when the economy is good the average disposal rate is 425,000 tons per year. Now the average yearly disposal is 250,000 tons. The life capacity of the landfill is estimated at 21 years. The landfill is a financial asset to the city and plans are underway to expand the site. For 2½ years Glendale has worked closely with Los Angeles County Public Works on project development and a potential pilot project with the intended goal to develop a zero waste plan. Currently, 61% of Glendale's waste is recycled, and the goal is to work toward recycling 75%. Projects also being considered are an incineration plant, waste sheds, and a facility generating green electricity.

Glendale's plan is to divert as much waste from the landfill through recycling, and if unable to recycle, the waste will be taken to a solid waste conversion facility to change it into clean energy. A consulting firm will be hired to determine funding sources and research state-of-the-art waste conversion technologies existing in the US and Europe. Mr. Zurn provided an example of a Performa of a waste conversion project that cites its cost to construct the facility at \$750 million and the operation fee at \$30 million a year. With the consultant's assistance, he is hoping within a year to glean as much information as possible on the various waste technologies in order to make the most prudent decision for the City of Glendale. Optimistically, Glendale's Public Works Department is considering the timeline of 2012 as the year to initiate RFPs that would establish a long-term contract agreement extending a

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minimum of 20-30 years.

The City of Glendale is moving forward to develop a self sustaining waste disposal process, eliminate disposal of refuse in landfills and generate "clean" electricity for their utility company.

Vice-Chairperson Waite thanked Mr. Zurn for his excellent presentation and encouraged members to attend the Conversion Technology Informational Workshop scheduled on September 23, 2010 from 8a.m. – 1p.m. at Los Angeles County Department of Public Works Headquarters in Alhambra, CA., and report back at the next Commission meeting.

(Commissioner Epstein joined the meeting via a teleconference call constituting a quorum.)

PRESENTATION BY LA COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT ON LA REGION IMAGERY ACQUISITION CONSORTIUM – NICK FRANCHINO, GIS MANAGER

Nick Franchino, GIS Manager, LA County Regional Planning Department, provided a power point presentation on the Los Angeles Regional Imagery Acquisition Consortium (LAR-IAC). Established in 2005, LAR-IAC is a multi-jurisdictional purchasing arrangement that enables participating local governments and agencies to benefit from combined economies of scale to efficiently and cost-effectively acquire high definition aerial data. LAR-IAC provides geographic data that forms the foundation of geo-spatial decision making and analysis as it relates to the satellite view, birds eye view, contours of buildings/surfaces and building outlines. The Regional Planning Department can provide aerial imageries of Los Angeles County to Cities and Local Agencies. The imagery is of the highest resolution, reasonably priced, has unparalleled accuracy, provides more data compared to similar products, tools to access the data, the ability to manipulate data and the capability to share information.

Mr. Franchino requested the Commission's assistance in garnering cities and local agencies' interest in acquiring LAR-IAC3. The fee is based on population and square miles at a minimum cost of \$15,000. Regional Planning also offers a payment plan and have in the past provided a 10% discount. To participate in LAR-IAC3, the local government/agency would submit a letter of intent to inform the county of their plans to budget for LAR-IAC participations which is non-binding. A participant agreement is created and signed indicating the payment terms of one to two years. Brochures and a poster are being produced and cold outreach calls will be conducted to non participating cities and agencies. For more information regarding LAR-IAC, a 30 page product guide is available for review at <http://planning.lacounty.gov/lariac/default.htm>.

Vice-Chairperson Waite thanked Mr. Franchino for his very informative presentation, and directed staff to place this subject on the next meeting agenda to discuss strategies on how the Commission can persuade cities/agencies to participate in LAR-IAC3 in 2011.

DISCUSS FUTURE PROJECTS AND IDENTIFY DUPLICATE PROCESSES BETWEEN MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL AGENCIES

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

MATTERS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA (TO BE PRESENTED AND PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR A FUTURE MEETING)

In response to Commissioner Calhoun, Commissioner Noguez noted that the Taxi Cab initiative is voluntary and open to all cities including charter cities.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 5, 2010.

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT

Barry Waite, Vice Chairperson
Patricia Gray, 2nd Vice Chairperson
Mark Burman*
Barbara Calhoun
Shana Epstein*
Gordon Gray
John Noguez
Alexander Ponder
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MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

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